

A bill for an act

relating to public safety; extending the duration of the continuance period allowed in a juvenile delinquency matter; amending Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260B.198, subdivision 7.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 260B.198, subdivision 7, is amended to read:

Subd. 7. **Continuance.** When it is in the best interests of the child to do so and when the child has admitted the allegations contained in the petition before the judge or referee, or when a hearing has been held as provided for in section 260B.163 and the allegations contained in the petition have been duly proven but, in either case, before a finding of delinquency has been entered, the court may continue the case for a period not to exceed ~~90~~ 180 days on any one order. With the consent of the prosecutor, such a continuance may be ~~extended~~ renewed for one additional successive period not to ~~exceed~~ 90 days extend beyond the child's 19th birthday and only after the court has reviewed the case and entered its order for an additional continuance without a finding of delinquency. During this continuance the court may enter an order in accordance with the provisions of subdivision 1, ~~clause (1) or (2),~~ or enter an order to hold the child in detention for a period not to exceed 15 days on any one order for the purpose of completing any consideration, or any investigation or examination ordered in accordance with the provisions of section 260B.157. This subdivision does not apply to an extended jurisdiction juvenile proceeding.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective August 1, 2010, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.